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Russian Federation: draft resolution

Strengthening international cooperation in combating the illicit production of and trafficking in opiates originating in Afghanistan within the framework of the Paris Pact initiative

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Welcoming the Paris Pact initiative, which is an important mechanism for international cooperation in combating the illicit production, trafficking and abuse of opiates originating in Afghanistan, and taking note of the outcomes of the international conferences of the Paris Pact partners at the ministerial level, held in Paris in 2003, in Moscow in 2006 and in Vienna in 2012,

Recalling its resolution 56/3 of 15 March 2013, in which it urged the international community to take full advantage of the Paris Pact initiative in order to assist Afghanistan in countering illicit cultivation and the production of opiates,

Taking note with satisfaction of the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime entitled "Strengthening international cooperation in combating illicit opiates originating in Afghanistan through continuous and reinforced support to the Paris Pact initiative",[1] in which the Executive Director took stock of the implementation by Member States of the

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[1] E/CN.7/2015/12.

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Vienna Declaration adopted at the Third Ministerial Conference of the Paris Pact Partners on Combating Illicit Traffic in Opiates Originating in Afghanistan, held in February 2012, within the framework of the third phase of the initiative,

Taking note with satisfaction also of the report of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime entitled *Afghanistan Opium Survey 2015*, in which it is noted that, for the first time since 2009, a decrease was observed in the area used for the illicit cultivation of opium poppy and the volume of opium produced, and underscoring the need to consolidate the emerging positive trend in the drug situation in Afghanistan,

Welcoming the efforts undertaken by the Government of Afghanistan in countering the illicit production of drugs in Afghanistan, and supporting the adoption and implementation of that country's national plan to combat drugs for the period 2015-2019,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 70/77 of 9 December 2015, entitled "The situation in Afghanistan", in which the General Assembly recognized the threat posed by the production, trade and trafficking in illicit drugs to international peace and stability in the region and beyond, and reaffirming that addressing the world drug problem remains a common and shared responsibility of Member States,

Recalling also that, at the eleventh meeting of the Paris Pact Policy Consultative Group, the Paris Pact partners noted that future priorities and actions defined by the Paris Pact initiative must be synchronized with the integrated responses being prepared for the special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem to be held in 2016,

1. *Calls upon* Member States to continue to provide Afghanistan with more active and comprehensive support in the fight against the illicit cultivation and production of opiates within the framework of the Paris Pact initiative, paying due attention to strengthening and implementing regional initiatives, detecting and blocking related financial flows, preventing the diversion of the precursors used in the illicit production of opiates in Afghanistan and reducing drug abuse and the number of persons suffering from drug dependence;

2. *Calls upon* the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to enhance the coordination of actions taken within the framework of the Paris Pact with those taken under other programmes and projects implemented by the Office relating to the countering of opiates originating in Afghanistan, including the regional programme for Afghanistan and neighbouring countries and the country programme for Afghanistan;

3. *Takes note* of the recommendations endorsed by the Paris Pact partners at the twelfth meeting of the Paris Pact Policy Consultative Group, which was held in Vienna on 15 and 16 December 2015, as a contribution to the preparations for the special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem to be held in 2016;

4. *Invites* Member States to consider the possibility of conducting, in the near future, the fourth international conference of the Paris Pact partners at the ministerial level in order to take stock of the progress made under the Paris Pact initiative, update the objectives of the initiative in accordance with the current situation and contribute to the intensification of the international community's

efforts to achieve the goals and objectives of the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem[2] with respect to reducing the illicit cultivation of opium poppy and the illicit production of and trafficking in heroin;

5. *Also invites* Member States to consider the possibility of continuing to make financial contributions to the implementation of the project of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in support of the Paris Pact initiative;

6. *Decides* to revert to the consideration of this subject at its sixtieth session.

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[2] See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2009, Supplement No. 8* (E/2009/28), chap. I, sect. C.